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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION HOLDS WOOD FLOOR RESTORATION WORKSHOP

Norman's Historic District Commission announces the third in its annual Hands-On Preservation Technology series, a Wood Floor Repair & Passive Restoration Workshop, November 19-21, 2010, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. all three days. The workshop will be led by Bob Yapp, Director of The Belvedere School for Preservation Technology in Hannibal, Missouri.

Due to the nature of the workshop, this three-day event is limited to 12 participants total, accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration priority will be given to Norman property owners in the Miller or Chautauqua Historic Districts until Friday, October 29. If there are remaining spots after October 29, registration will be open to the public until the workshop is full. There will be a waiting list and observers will be welcome during the workshop as space allows. All skill levels are encouraged to enroll.

"This will be an intense, learn-by-doing opportunity," said workshop facilitator Bob Yapp. "This class is not about drum sanding and trying to create brand new looking floors. Much like working with fine antiques, we want to retain character-defining features of historic wood floors. Students will learn how to remove finish, water and pet stains, how to patch bad areas so they don't look patched, and how to apply new finish. At the end of the third day, students will know from beginning to end how to repair and passively restore any tongue-and-groove hardwood floor."

The total cost of the three-day workshop is \$50, which includes tuition, snacks and box lunches for all three days. The workshop location is a 1920s structure located in the Miller Historic District. To register email ASAP susan.atkinson@normanok.gov or call 366-5392.

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